

3. (Unchanged) A method of controlling a receiver station including the steps of:

- detecting one of a presence and an absence of a broadcast signal transmitted from a first remote station;
- selecting a cablecast signal for reception based on said step of detecting, said cablecast signal being transmitted from a second remote station; and
- receiving said cablecast signal based on said step of selecting.

4. (Unchanged) A method of controlling a receiver station including the steps of:

- detecting one of a presence and an absence of a cablecast signal transmitted from a first remote station;
- selecting a broadcast signal for reception based on said step of detecting, said broadcast signal being transmitted from a second remote station; and
- receiving said broadcast signal based on said step of selecting.

5. (Unchanged) The method of claim 3, further comprising the steps of:

- controlling a switch to select a cablecast signal input; and
- communicating a signal from said selected cablecast signal input to a receiver.

6. (Unchanged) The method of claim 4, further comprising the steps of:

- controlling a switch to select a broadcast signal input; and
- communicating a signal from said selected broadcast signal input to a receiver.

Please cancel claims 7 to 20.

21. **(Four Times Amended)** A method of controlling at least one receiver station, said at least one receiver station in a network having a plurality of receiver stations, said at least one receiver station including one of a broadcast and a cablecast signal receiver, at least one processor, a signal detector, said signal detector adapted to receive signals from said one of a broadcast and a cablecast signal receiver, and said processor programmed to respond to signals from said detector, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving at one of a broadcast and a cablecast transmitter station an instruct signal which is effective at said at least one receiver station to perform one of the group consisting of:

6-1 (a) selecting and receiving a cablecast signal based on one of a presence and absence of a broadcast signal; and

(b) selecting and receiving a broadcast signal based on one of a presence and absence of a cablecast signal;

transferring said instruct signal to a transmitter;

receiving at least one control signal at said one of a broadcast and a cablecast transmitter station, said at least one control signal designating said at least one receiver station of said plurality of receiver stations in which said instruct signal is addressed; and

transferring said at least one control signal to said transmitter, said one of a broadcast and a cablecast transmitter station one of broadcasting and cablecasting said instruct signal and said at least one control signal to said plurality of receiver stations.

Please cancel claims 22 to 28.